Infrastructure Facilities at Jajmau, Kanpur

†1858. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that a project costing Rs. 11.30 crores had been sanctioned as a joint project for upgradation of infrastructure facilities in Jajmau, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh;

(b) Whether it is also a fact that Government have to release payment of Rs. 1.50 crore against this project;

(c) If so, the reason for not releasing this amount even after the utilisation of State's share in it; and

(d) by when the amount will be released?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) State Government of Uttar Pradesh has submitted a project costing Rs. 11.30 crores for upgradation of infrastructural facilities in Jajmau, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh to central Government. Under the CIB Scheme, the Central Government has sanctioned only the power system component of the project at a total cost of Rs. 3.50 crores.

(b) The Cenral Government has released Rs. 1.75 crores being its share of the sanctioned project to the State Government.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Export of Agricultural Products

1859. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it a fact that the export growth of agriculture and allied products like pulses, tobacco, sugar and molasses etc. has been registering a negative growth for the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps Government proposed to take to augment the export of these items?

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